

LOCAL-OPTION FIGHT.

Quite a Lively Debate in the Senate on the Miller Bill.

TAX ON FERTILIZERS.

The Kerner Measure Further Considered and Recommended—The Next Primary-Election Law.

The announcement that the Miller local-option bill would come up as the special order in the Senate at 1 o'clock yesterday drew to the chamber the largest crowd of visitors that has honored it since the session of the General Assembly began. In the crowd were included many ladies, and the temperance men were present in force. The bill, as amended in committee, provides for denying to towns of 2,500 inhabitants the right to vote on the question of license or no license.

THE PATRON'S PLEA.

When the bill came up on the call for the special order Mr. Miller spoke in favor of it. His contention was that the legal restrictions on the sale of liquor in large towns and cities does not effect actual prohibition, but simply operates to change the location of the business so as to withdraw it from the wholesome influences of public observations and transfer it from the saloons to the numerous houses of crafty law-breakers. This injurious effect did not obtain in small towns and rural districts.

Mr. Flood said he was in favor of the bill, and offered an amendment which he contended was necessary to carry out the intent of the bill.

Mr. Walton opposed the bill on the ground that it was breaking faith with the people and against the Democratic platform. He thought the General Assembly and the Democratic party owned more to the temperance cause than any other. The temperance men, and were held in the party to the pledges that the party had given them on this subject. The bill denied the right of petition, and would trample upon a principle the people should have the right of petition.

OPPOSED BY THE LADIES.

Mr. Sanders presented a petition from Mrs. W. H. Peaseants, president of the Central Woman's Christian Temperance Union asking that the bill do not pass on the ground that the present law gives the people the only possible opportunity for securing a great evil and removing the disturbance question from the arena of politics.

Mr. Herbert supported the bill and amendments, and argued that the enemies of the democratic party should be dealt with firmly.

Mr. Flood withdrew his amendment, and the first amendment of the committee substituting 2,500 inhabitants for 2,000 was lost by the following vote:

Ayes—Meers, Barnes, Thomas, H. A., Berry, Echols, Farfard, Gandy, Green, Heriot, H. C., Hatcher, Hay, Herkert, Little, Miller, Mashburn, and Washington—55.

Nay—Meers, Arthur, Barnes, Manly, H. A., Burcham, Hurt, Jackson, Hurt, Jackson, Jones, Jordan, LeCato, Little, Maynard, Mashburn, Sanders, Trevelyan, and Walton, Wickham, and Williams—44.

MR. STUBBS' OPPOSITION.

The question then recurred upon the second amendment of the committee, which reads as follows:

"And no election heretofore held or to be held for any election hereafter in any town or county containing over 2,000 inhabitants shall affect the power of the courts to grant licenses to sell intoxicating liquors in such town."

Mr. Stubbs expressed himself vigorously in opposition to the amendment. He proposed an even more stringent amendment that the amendment was designed to cover the Roanoke case. The amendment was adopted by the following vote:

Ayes—Meers, Barnes, Thomas, H. A., Berry, Echols, Farfard, Gandy, Green, Heriot, H. C., Hatcher, Hay, Herkert, Little, Miller, Mashburn, and Washington—55.

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MR. STUBBS' OPPOSITION.

When the bill came up on its engrossment, Mr. Stubbs again took the floor and spoke at length against the bill. He introduced the first amendment bill ever introduced in the General Assembly and now the local-option plan when was incorporated in the Democratic platform on which Governor Lee was elected, but he would rather see the bill fail. The State can party can never stand on the side of Mr. Miller. Mr. Stubbs predicted that the passage of the bill would work disaster to the Democratic party. If the bill passed, he said, it would wipe out local option in Virginia. He had down the proposition that the bill would take away from the people the right of local option on any question.

Pending the discussion on the engrossment of the bill the Senate adjourned.

BILLS INTRODUCED.

The Senate routine was very full, but the body got through a great deal of business. The body was called to order by the Lieutenant-Governor, and the proceedings opened with prayer by Rev. Mr. Dill.

The following bills were introduced:

By the Finance Committee. For the relief of the poor. To amend the State poor laws so as to provide for the payment of the expenses of the maintenance of the several counties in the Twenty-Fifth Circuit.

BILLS PASSED.

Senate bills: To provide for an other stock in the state of Alabama and other stock in the state of Tennessee to extend the time for commencing the construction of the Potomac River dam to allow E. F. Daniel, Treasurer of Charlotte county, further time to obtain levy for, and other time to complete the construction of the dam.

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